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If Minister Phelps succeeds Chief Justice Waite, who is going to step into Mr. Phelps' shoes at St. James?

THOSE Central Labor Union resolutions have proved a boomerang for the federated bogs workingmen that concocted them.

WHAT has become of the extensive improvements that were to be made this spring in beautifying the syndicate park near South Twenty-fourth street?

The chief clerk of the treasury department at Athens has embezzled one million dollars of government funds. Standing at this rate will not leave even a Greece spot in the exchequer.

ACCORDING to the Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Congressman McShane got a clean sweep on our senators in the order to remove the Nebraska land office to O'Neill.

WHAT has the admission of Dakota got to do, anyway, with the returning board square of 1870? And yet democratic senators want to make Dakota capital out of it and make Dakota suffer for imaginary sins.

THE entire democratic party of the state of Vermont is going to the St. Louis convention. One small bed has been engaged at the leading hotel and that accommodation will be ample to receive the whole delegation.

WORKINGMEN have a right to withhold their labor and use all peaceable means to enforce their demands upon employers. But the public sympathy is withdrawn from them whenever they attempt to carry their point by personal violence or destruction of property. This should impress itself upon every wage-worker under all conditions and circumstances.

WILL any of our local contemporaries that published those roasting resolutions of the Central Labor Union kindly inform us what this federation of trades is composed of, who its officers are, how many members were present last Monday, and who offered those resolutions? Will they have the decency and courtesy to contradict the bare-faced lies embodied in those resolutions?

THE committee of arrangements for the Chicago convention has announced that no Chicago contributor who has subscribed less than \$50 to the convention fund would receive a ticket. This puts the price of admission rather high. But the entertainment is to be first-class in every particular. Gilmore's band will probably be there to soothe the savage breasts of contending politicians.

MORE brick buildings and fewer frames should be constructed hereafter in Omaha. The chief obstacle heretofore has been the high prices and scarcity of brick. The time is at hand when brick will be abundant and much cheaper than ever. The cheapening of brick should be an incentive for building not only brick stores and factories but brick residences. A frame house always has an unsatisfactory appearance.

IN comparison with the corresponding week of last year, the bank clearings all through the country, with but isolated exceptions, show a decrease for the week ending April 14. New York leads off with a decrease of 21 per cent, where the absence of activity on the exchanges was seriously felt on the aggregate clearings. As the general volume of business for the week indicated in the clearings was about the same as last year, it would seem that bank clearings are not always an exact index of the state of trade.

THE new management of the Chicago Times is making improvements in that journal which have already had telling effect on its prosperity. The latest change has given the paper a more symmetrical form, and with its remodeled typography the Times is materially improved in appearance. The always excellent news features of the paper are well maintained, its editorial columns are characterized by a better spirit than formerly, and on the whole the paper gives evidence of having fallen into more competent hands. It may be remarked, also, that the Times continues a monument to the fame of W. F. Story, whose name is still carried conspicuously at the head of the editorial page.

Wasted Labor.

It is announced that the foreign relations committee of the senate will report adversely to the fisheries treaty, and it is believed the refusal of the senate to ratify the arrangement is assured. This will be a considerable disappointment to those who had hoped that the questions covered by the treaty would be removed from controversy, and these constitute a large majority of the people of this country, and we believe of Canada also. So far as our own people are concerned, with the exception of those engaged in the fishing interests and such as sympathized with them, they had grown very tired of the fishery dispute. Admitting that there is a principle involved of some slight international importance, and granting that Canada has not shown a proper regard for her treaty obligations, yet the great majority of our people have felt that the interests involved are not of such importance as to warrant the amount of controversy that has been expended over them, while they have also felt that if our rights were being disregarded or denied by our neighbors the plain duty of the government was to use its power to enforce them, and not keep up an endless bickering with Canada. The method adopted by the administration to bring the difficulty to a settlement was perhaps a little irregular, but the country, as a whole, is willing to approve almost anything that would assure a fair and permanent settlement. The British government sent its representative in the person of Mr. Chamberlain, who approved himself entirely acceptable, being inclined to an arrangement which while fair to both countries would tend to increase friendly relations not only between the United States and Canada, but as well between this country and England. A spirit of reasonable concession prevailed on both sides, and the treaty submitted is probably as fair and equitable as it is possible to make it. There is no question that if ratified by the senate it would be approved by the British government.

As there are objectors in Canada who regard the treaty as surrendering Canadian rights, so in this country the opposition to it is on the alleged ground that it surrenders American rights. Perhaps no better argument could be presented than this fact in evidence of the general fairness of the treaty. The opposition on each side comes from those who would demand more than would be just to the other side, or from such as want a plausible pretext to oppose the treaty because there may be political capital in doing so. This motive is operative in Canada as well as here, and it cannot fairly be questioned that if the treaty fails of ratification by the senate it will be largely due to this motive. Failure will be unfortunate for the reason that in leaving this dispute unsettled the tendency will be to aggravate the hostile sentiment of both sides, and thus lead to action that may eventually endanger the peace of the two countries. The Canadian government may of course be expected to renew its former policy, the exasperating effect of which is well remembered, and this would undoubtedly be met by the retaliatory course which the president is empowered by act of congress to adopt. It is easy to see where such proceedings would be liable to lead. It is said the democrats in the senate will make a vigorous effort in behalf of the treaty, though a few of them are counted against it, but if the matter is to be determined on party lines the failure of the treaty is certain.

A New Phase of the Strike.
The findings of the Iowa railroad commissioners in the Creston wreck investigation are a commentary on the wretched management of the Burlington road on its Iowa division. The concurrent testimony shows that the engineer and conductor of one of the freight trains that had collided with the fast mail train had been on duty for over fifty hours, and were completely broken down for want of rest. Why should not the managers of the road be held responsible for contributory negligence, for jeopardizing the lives of employees and passengers, and the destruction by fire of the United States mails? What excuse can any railway manager offer for forcing conductors and engineers to remain on active duty for more than forty-eight hours at a stretch? If the company is short of competent conductors and engineers why do they not lay their freight trains off rather than run them with men who fall asleep on their engines? This is a feature of the strike that appeals urgently for the intervention of the Iowa railway commission as well as the post-office department.

AS AN example to our citizens what other cities of the west are doing for the purpose of securing manufacturing enterprises, the great exertions made by St. Paul, Minn., to induce the Indianapolis car works to locate there may be mentioned. The capitalists of St. Paul offer as inducements to the Indianapolis firm (1) \$300,000 for the buildings in Indianapolis, the company to keep the property and to dispose of it as it may see fit; (2) transportation of stock and machinery to St. Paul to be paid; (3) price of fuel to be made equal to cost of natural gas at Indianapolis; (4) buildings equal to those occupied in Indianapolis to be erected on twenty acres of ground donated to the company; (5) a certain cash bonus for every employee who accompanies the works and locates at St. Paul; (6) no taxes for ten years. The works are said to employ over 500 men and are one of the leading industries of Indianapolis. The bonus which St. Paul offers is enough to make Omaha open her eyes. By the way, what would we offer for the plant?

IT is an outrage, in the opinion of Congressman Oates, of Alabama, to compel those who lost in the rebellion to pay the cost of their subjugation. This is not in accord with the view that has prevailed with mankind since society became organized into states and nations. All through history the losers in war have had to pay the cost of their subjugation, and the verdict of all nations has approved the principle. As

to the people of the south, however, they have not paid and will not pay one-tenth the cost of keeping that section in the union. The cotton tax, which Mr. Oates demands shall be returned if the money collected under the direct tax shall be given back to the states that paid it, was a mere trifle in the cost of the rebellion, and everybody knows that the south has not contributed one-tenth of what has been paid in liquidation of the public debt. It is perhaps entirely safe to say that the states which engaged in rebellion do not all together contribute as much to the support of the government and for paying the cost of the war as does the state of New York. Such an observation as that of Mr. Oates is therefore obviously absurd, but when a representative gets the senatorial bee in his hat, as the Alabama gentleman is said to have, the buzzing is very likely to interfere with that calm and rational reflection so necessary to wise conclusions and discreet speech.

THE republicans of Ohio in their state convention have inserted in their platform a resolution presenting the name of Senator Sherman as eminently qualified for the office of president and pledging Ohio's delegates to the national convention to use all honorable means to secure his nomination. This action ought to go far in refutation of the reports industriously circulated that the Buckeye republicans are not harmonious in support of Mr. Sherman, yet such reports will undoubtedly continue to be sent out. There is nothing more certain than that at the outset the Ohio delegation will be solid for Sherman, but that has been the case before, and the question is how long will it remain solid. It is this question which throws a shadow upon the chances of the Ohio senator and is being used to his disadvantage elsewhere.

FOR some time ill-feeling has been brewing between France and Italy, especially along the border counties, which has manifested itself in prohibiting the importation of each other's goods. This tariff war works considerable injury to those industries of each country which depend upon the trade of the other. But the contest is cheaper than going into a bloody war, and the satisfaction of injuring each other's trade is looked upon as victories. The United States is interested in the matter as it extends the sale of our meat products in France and American textiles in Italy. And as the tariff war grows hotter, our exports are getting into markets where they had never before gained a foothold.

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to cash checks drawn upon Nebraska banks. The Express says: "This may be regarded as the golden opportunity for the Omaha and Lincoln jobbers, to whom trade rightfully belongs. The retailer will be slow in making purchases in a market where their checks are at a discount as long as other markets are open to them on a fair basis."

Iowa Items.
Dubuque thinks its boom is blasted. Davenport is to have an electric railway. Glenwood has discovered another field of coal. The Allison brigade will go to Chicago all strong. Two Muscatine barbers were fined for shaving on Sunday.

Prof. Foster, of Burlington, predicts a severe storm on April 21 and 22. The next annual encampment of the G. A. R. will be held at Burlington. Papers throughout the state are predicting "another very dry summer."

Miss Downy, the noted evangelist, is wrestling with the tempter at Sioux City. Sioux City's electric dynamo burned out and the town is in darkness for a few days.

Burlington is wreathed in smiles since the bill passed the senate giving her a federal building. Regent Burrill, of the Iowa University, has accepted an invitation to deliver the annual oration at the University of Kansas on June 1.

A state convention of republican clubs in Iowa will be held at the opera house in Des Moines on Wednesday, May 2, at 11 o'clock a. m. A Burlington man, Prof. Porby, has invented a new system of short hand, which it is claimed can be learned in one-half the time required by the old way.

Dakota.
Spearfish is to have a new newspaper. Yankton will have a sewerage system. Five thousand mining claims are located within ten miles of Deadwood. A syndicate of Deadwood capitalists drew a prize in the Louisiana lottery the 10th.

Last year ten and one-half million feet of lumber was manufactured in the Dakotas. The Yankton committee to procure right of way for the Manitoba road enters upon its work next week.

Work has been resumed on the gas well at Aberdeen, and a pressure of thirty pounds to the square inch has been obtained. Paul E. Page made final homestead claim at Mitchell, the claim being two miles from that city, and his improvements footed up \$12,390.

The five-year-old daughter of J. W. Porter, of Warner, was burned to death while trying to run across a stubble field which had been set on fire.

GAGE COUNTY ANTI-SALOONISTS. They Issue a Petition to the Republican Convention.

BLUE SPRINGS, Neb., April 19.—[Special to the Bee].—To-day there were sent out from here petitions to every precinct in Gage county, and an organized effort has commenced and pursued to capture the Gage county republican convention for the temperance people. The object of the movement is fully explained in their petition, which is as follows:

The Delegates of the Gage County (Neb.) Republican Convention—Gentlemen: We the undersigned republican legal voters of Gage county, Neb., would most respectfully present to you a petition, signed by our earnest petitioners, "That you will nominate, for senator and representatives to our legislature, only such men as are soundly temperate, and who are opposed to the saloons; that the candidates for legislative honors, to be nominated by your honorable body, be announced publicly that they are in favor of and will work, if elected, to submit a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic or malt liquor within the state of Nebraska; and that the said candidates will also pledge themselves to work and vote for stringent temperance legislation regulating the liquor traffic within our state."

Gentlemen, to heed or reject this petition now with you, we beseech you not to pass it idly by nor dispose of it as a matter of policy. The republican party was founded for grand and noble purposes. With one bold stroke it secured the freedom of 6,000,000 slaves and made them freemen, as God designed they should be. It is now the duty of that same party to liberate 60,000,000 of our fellow men from the bondage of slavery. We look back with pride to the great achievements of our party. We all do so with you, we beseech you not to pass it idly by nor dispose of it as a matter of policy. The republican party was founded for grand and noble purposes. With one bold stroke it secured the freedom of 6,000,000 slaves and made them freemen, as God designed they should be. It is now the duty of that same party to liberate 60,000,000 of our fellow men from the bondage of slavery. We look back with pride to the great achievements of our party. 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